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DECISION ON PETITION

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For: NEUROSTIMULATING LEAD

This is a decision on the faxed petition received December 12, 2001, to withdraw the holding of abandonment in the above-identified application.

The above-identified application became abandoned for failure to reply within the meaning of 37 C.F.R. 1.113 in timely manner to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application mailed April 24, 2000. Which set a shortened statutory period for reply of two (2) months. Accordingly, this application became abandoned June 27, 2000. A notice of abandonment was mailed on November 19, 2001.

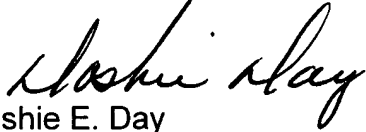
On December 12, 2001, the office received a communication from the attorney of record. Enclosed was an acknowledgment that counsel responded to the Notice of Missing Parts on May 2, 2000.

The evidence submitted is sufficient to establish that the petitioners responded to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application on May 2, 2000.

The petition is hereby GRANTED.

The application has been completed for release to Technology Center 3737.

Telephone inquiries concerning this matter may be directed to Doshie E. Day at (703) 308-3640.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Doshie E. Day".

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